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Annapolis Environmental Commission

April 1, 2015

The Annapolis Environmental Commission (AEC) held its regular meeting on April 1, 2015 at 145 Gorman Street, Conference Room 3. **Chair** Murphy opened the meeting to order at 7:04p.m.

Members Present: **Chair** Murphy, **Vice Chair** Kissel, Weber, Powell, Dr. Riegel, Buchheister, Butler, O'Leary

Members Absent: Kiraly

Staff Present: Broadbent, Biba, Waters, Bierman

Guest Present: Reggie Parrish and Shanita Brown-EPA, Diane Crews and Betsy Love-St. Luke's
Kate Baker

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS/VISITOR INTRODUCTION

Ms. Betsy Love described St. Luke's proposal to mitigate a stormwater pipe system with a 42-inch outfall through installation of a regenerative stormwater conveyance system along with some best management practices. The proposal has gained support from Severn House and Watergate for easements and if all goes well construction could begin in the Fall 2015. She requested volunteers for two projects occurring on April 11, 2015 and the AEC agreed to work with her on getting some volunteers to assist.

Ms. Kate Baker recently moved to the area from Seattle, Washington and is very interested in recycling and waste management so would like to share some ideas for changing people's behavior toward recycling with the AEC.

Ms. Shanita Brown, Diversity Action Team Coordinator, EPA, discussed her education capstone project of reaching out to the African Americans regarding "How Involved is Annapolis' African American Community in the Environment?" She went over the methodology, findings and recommendations of the report. She concluded that she would like to see Annapolis partner more on interaction/education with the Housing Authority on environmental issues.

III. REGULAR BUSINESS BEFORE THE COMMISSION

A. MEETING MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

January 7 and February 4, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Ms. Butler moved to allow that at least 3 members of the AEC listen to the January 7, 2015 tapes to clarify what staff said regarding the Reserve at Quiet Waters project. Dr. Riegel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a vote of 8-0.

Dr. Riegel moved to defer the voting on the January 7, 2015 minutes to the May meeting. Mr. Weber seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a vote of 8-0. Ms. Broadbent reserved the right for staff to be given opportunity to put a clarifying statement in the minutes.

February 4, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Mr. Weber moved to approve the February 4, 2015 meeting minutes as written. **Vice Chair** Kissel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a vote of 8-0.

March 4, 2015 Meeting

Vice Chair Kissel moved to accept the March 4, 2015 note content as an accurate accounting of the discussion. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously in a vote of 8-0.

B. NEW BUSINESS

a. March 17, 2015 Meeting Briefing

Chair Murphy briefly discussed the results of the meeting with the City Attorney explaining that the minutes must brief to include what is voted on and the audio transcripts of the meeting will be made available to the AEC. He noted that the discussion also noted that the **Chair** position must be voted upon annually.

Vice Chair Kissel moved to extend Mr. Murphy's **Chair** position for eight months. Mr. O'Leary seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a vote 8-0.

b. St. Luke's Stream Restoration Project

There was discussion regarding the distribution of the letter of support for the St. Luke's project. Mr. Weber moved to send the letter to the interested parties. Ms. Buchheister seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a vote of 8-0.

c. Maritime Advisory Board (MAB) March 17, 2015 Meeting Follow up on No Discharge Zone

Dr. Riegel briefed the AEC on the MAB March 17, 2015 meeting explaining that a discussion ensued after the presentation where several questions were asked that the AEC agreed to follow up. Mr. Weber moved to close the discussion to get to other agenda items. Dr. Riegel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a vote of 8-0.

d. Commission Secretary for May, June, and July

The AEC's May meeting was moved to Tuesday, May 5, 2015 at 7:00pm.

e. Summer Schedule

There was a discussion regarding changing the summer schedule to allow members to participant in summertime activities. Ms. Buchheister moved to move the May meeting from Wednesday, May 6 to Tuesday, May 5. Mr. Weber seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a vote of 7-0 with one abstention.

C. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Water Quality

Ms. Buchheister noted that there is an opportunity for a Naval Academy Tour and will inform the AEC once she discuss dates as well as times.

b. Energy

Renewal Energy/Parking Garage

Chair Murphy noted that the parking garage project is moving along. The trifold for the energy project has been prepared and is being reviewed by solar companies.

c. Development

1. Reserve at Quiet Waters Appeals

The written report was distributed via email and hard copy provided at the meeting. There were comments on the Reserve at Quiet Waters and Ms. Butler will provide a copy to the Chair. Mr. Weber moved to approve the comments to send to the Planning Commission. Ms. Butler seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a vote of 8-0.

2. Crystal Spring Update

The written report was distributed via email and hard copy provided at the meeting. Dr. Riegel noted that the AEC received a request from Alderwoman Pindell-Charles regarding a meeting on this project.

Ms. Butler moved that the AEC Development Subcommittee schedule a meeting with Alderwoman Pindell-Charles regarding this project. Dr. Riegel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a vote 8-0.

3. Thomas Woods

The written report was distributed via email and hard copy provided at the meeting.

4. Primrose Hill on Milkshake Lane

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5. Rodgers Property (Bembe Beach Road)

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6. The Enclave at Spa Road

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7. Hayes Annexation Property

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8. Rocky Gorge

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9. Griscom Square

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10. Annapolis Neck Annexation (Samaras Property)

The written report was distributed via email and hard copy provided at the meeting.

d. Outreach/Recycling

Mr. Powell has been added to the Outreach subcommittee. Mr. O'Leary has content that he will put together for deployment.

IV. DNEP REPORT

Ms. Broadbent referred to the Arbor Day packet and members are invited to attend if they are interested.

There was a discussion regarding the Watershed Implementation Project that now includes a public hearing component.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Intern

The search for an intern is ongoing.

VI. **ADJOURNMENT**

The next AEC meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 5, 2015 at 7:00pm at 145 Gorman Street.
Mr. Weber moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:28pm and **Vice Chair** Kissel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously

Tami Hook, Recorder